AMENDMENTS

In the Claims

Please amend claims 1-3, 5-9, 19, and 20 as shown below. Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "**Version With Markings to Show Changes Made**".

1. An absorbent article to be worn by a wearer adjacent the skin, the absorbent article comprising:

a chassis comprising:

an outer covering layer comprising:

a backsheet; and

a liquid pervious topsheet joined to said backsheet; and

an absorbent core positioned between said topsheet and said backsheet;

a cuff joined to said chassis, each said cuff having a first surface and a second surface disposed opposite said first surface, said cuff comprising a nonwoven consisting essentially of metallocene propylene spunbond fibers having a denier less than about 1.3 and wherein said nonwoven has a hydrostatic head of at least about 85 mm.

2. The absorbent article of Claim 1 wherein said nonwoven consists of spunbond fibers.

3. The absorbent article of Claim 2 wherein said nonwoven has a basis weight of less than about 17 gsm.

5. The absorbent article of Claim 1 wherein said nonwoven comprises less than about 10 % by weight meltblown fibers and said nonwoven has a hydrohead of at least about 85 mm.

6. The absorbent article of Claim 5 wherein said nonwoven comprises less than about 8 % by weight meltblown fibers.

7. The absorbent article of Claim 1 wherein said cuff further comprises an effective amount of a skin care composition disposed on said nonwoven said skin care

composition being semi-solid or solid at 20°C and at least partially transferable to a wearer's skin.

8. The absorbent article of Claim 7 wherein the quantity of said skin care composition on said nonwoven ranges from about 0.05 mg/in^2 to about 80 mg/in^2.

9. The absorbent article of Claim 7 wherein said skin care composition comprises:

(i) from about 10% to about 95% of an emollient having a plastic or fluid consistency at 20°C; and

(ii) from about 5% to about 90% of an agent capable of immobilizing said emollient on said nonwoven.

19. An absorbent article to be worn by a wearer adjacent the skin, the absorbent article comprising:

a chassis having edges, said chassis comprising:

an outer covering layer; and

an absorbent core encased in said outer covering layer;

a barrier cuff joined to said chassis, said barrier cuff comprising a separate barrier cuff member having a proximal edge and a distal edge in spaced relation to said proximal edge, said proximal edge being joined to said outer covering layer, a portion of said distal edge not being secured to the absorbent article, and a spacing elastic element operatively associated with said distal edge for allowing said barrier cuff member to stand upwardly away from said outer covering layer, said barrier cuff member comprising a nonwoven consisting essentially of metallocene polypropylene spunbond fibers having a denier less than about 1.3 and wherein said nonwoven has a hydrostatic head of at least about 85 mm.

20. An absorbent article to be worn by a wearer adjacent the skin, the absorbent article comprising:

a chassis having edges, said chassis comprising:

an outer covering layer; and

an absorbent core encased in said outer covering layer;

a barrier cuff joined to said chassis, said barrier cuff comprising a separate barrier cuff member having a proximal edge and a distal edge in spaced relation to said

proximal edge, said proximal edge being joined to said outer covering layer, a portion of said distal edge not being secured to the absorbent article, and a spacing elastic element operatively associated with said distal edge for allowing said barrier cuff member to stand upwardly away from said outer covering layer, said barrier cuff comprising a nonwoven consisting essentially of metallocene polypropylene spunbond fibers having a denier less than about 1.3 and wherein said nonwoven has a hydrostatic head of at least about 85 mm; and

an effective amount of a skin care composition disposed on said barrier cuff member, said skin care composition being semi-solid or solid at 20°C and at least partially transferable to a wearer's skin.